and so sent word The Earl of Essex, that kept his chamber the day before, in his nightgown went up to the Queen by the privy way, but all would not prevail But yesterday my Lady Leicester was at Court, kissed the Queen's hand and her breast, and embraced her, and the Queen kissed her The Earl of Essex is in exceeding great favour He doth carefully attend her Majesty and her service, and very honourably takes the pains to see all matters dispatched as if the Secretary were here

$th March A NOTABLE FRAUD

Dr Stephen Laks, doctor in civil laws, hath been most notoriously abused by one John Dean, a scrivener of London Dr Laks entrusted the sum of .£3,000 to this Dean to put out to use for him, whereupon Dean counterfeited the hands and seals of divers credible persons to thirty or forty bonds and assurances, and brought the counterfeit obligations to Dr Laks, making him believe them to be good Having thus cozened him of above .£3,000 he hideth himself in secret and privileged places

6tb March MR BODLEY'S GIFT TO OXFORD.

Mr Bodley*s liberality to the University of Oxford has received very good acceptance and thanks by public letters The matter is very generally approved of and many think how by some good book or other they may be written in the scroll of benefactors

* THE COUNSELLOR *

There is newly translated into English that work called *The Counsellor,* written in Latin by Laurentius Grimaldus, and consecrated to the honour of the Poloman Emperor Herein is pleasantly and pithily discoursed the office of magistrates,

the happy life of subjects, and the felicity of commonwealths

8*4 *March.* THE EARL OF CUMBERLAND SAILS

The Eaxl of Cumberland set sail from Portsmouth two days ago in his ship the *Scourge of Mahce,* and a fleet of seventeen other ships and two barges He hath with him many manners, and soldiers of whom Sir Join Berkeley is made Colonel GeneraL This is the twelfth voyage that my Lord hath undertaken